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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated May 23, 2002, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 2, 10, and amend Claims 1, 8, and 9 as shown below in clean-form. A marked-up version of the amended claims is attached hereto.

1. (Amended) A method of protecting an audio signal against copying, the method comprising the step of mixing the audio signal with at least a first non-audible disturbance signal, wherein said first disturbance signal is a low-frequency signal having a frequency of about 2 Hz.

2. (Canceled)

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